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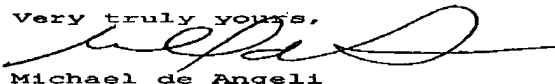
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Dear Examiner Shaffer:

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Serial No.: 10/806,188 : Group Art Unit: 3733
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above -
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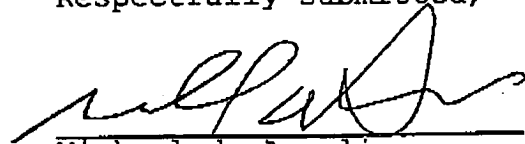
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 11,
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follows: